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Judge Kollar-Kotally,

I am an educated housewife and mother, having a master's degree in education. I've opted to stay at home since I have a 22 month old baby.

I came to know through a friend some of the aspects of the Proposed Settlement made by the Justice Department with Microsoft, and I am displeased by them. Firstly, how could the Justice Department grant Microsoft a government-mandated monopoly of the software industry and even worse - other technology markets? Definitely such decision would seriously jeopardize all serious competitors- both now and in the future. We're living in a free and capitalistic society, and one of the advantages of it is that people have the right to choose from among several brands of one single item, and in this case, software. I would want to see a healthy competition of several software companies, in order to make prices competitive as well. Secondly, how could the Justice Department condone Microsoft for violating the antitrust law and even for its illegal conduct e.g. bribing other competitors in order to stop their operation. What is the Justice Department's motive behind this action?

Your Honor, I would want Microsoft be brought to justice for the good of this present as well as the future generation.

Respectfully,

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